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SUBJ: KOMSOMOL MESSAGE TO YOUNG WORKERS LIBERATION LEAGUE

1. YOUTH NEWSPAPER, KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA (CIRCULATION 10 MILLION) PUBLISHES DECEMBER 13 PARTIAL TEXT OF KOMSOMOL CENTRAL COMMITTEE MESSAGE TO CONVENTION OF YOUNG WORKERS LIBERATION LEAGUE IN PHILADELPHIA. MESSAGE SPEAKS OF LEAGUE'S IMPORTANT ROLE IN "STRUGGLE OF PROGRESSIVE FORCES AND YOUTH OF THE U.S. AGAINST THE REACTIONARY POLICIES OF MONOPOLISTIC CAPITAL, EXPLOITATION, REPRESSION AND RACISM," AND COMMENDS LEAGUE FOR TRYING TO PROMOTE BETTER U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS AND DETENTE. MESSAGE GOES ON TO EXPRESS HOPE FOR SUCCESS OF LEAGUE "BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF MARXISM-LENINISM AND PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM" AS WELL AS STRENGTHENING ITS "INFLUENCE AND ITS ROLE IN THE U.S. YOUTH MOVEMENT."

2. COMPANION PIECE HAS INTERVIEW WITH LIBERATION LEAGUE CHAIRMAN, JARVIS TAINER (PHONETIC), WHO FOCUSES ON ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL "CRISES" IN U.S. AND SAYS LEAGUE WILL CONTINUE TO "UNMASK THE ANTI-POPULAR CHARACTER OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DOMESTIC POLICIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S." TAINER

MAKES A PITCH FOR FURTHER MOVES TOWARD DETENTE, BUT SAYS THAT LARGE SECTION OF AMERICAN YOUTH "NO LONGER BELIEVES IN ITS GOVERNMENT OR BOURGEOIS POLITICS." DETENTE, HE SAYS, HAS SPURRED INTEREST IN MARXISM, AND SUCCESSES OF SOVIET UNION AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN "GROWING RADICALIZATION" OF AMERICAN YOUTH.

3. COMMENT: THE KOMSOMOL BOOST FOR A COMMUNIST-FRONT ORGANIZATION, WHOSE PURPOSES AND OUTLOOK ARE WELL DESCRIBED BY TAINER IN HIS INTERVIEW, WOULD SEEM TO BE THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN WITH REGARD TO WELL-KNOWN SOVIET ARGUMENTS ABOUT U.S. INTERFERENCE IN THEIR INTERNAL AFFAIRS BECAUSE OF U.S. PUBLIC SYMPATHY FOR SOVIET DISSIDENTS. STOESSEL

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